

REMARKS

Claims 1-102 were subject to restriction. Applicants elect Group I, directed to claims 1-20 and 102. Applicants cancel claims 21-101 solely for being drawn to non-elected inventions, and Applicants reserve the right to pursue canceled material in subsequent prosecution.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the teleconferences of approximately July 21, 2006 and August 1, 2006 concerning clarification of the Office Action mailed June 22, 2006. It is Applicants' understanding that such clarification required the issuance of the presently outstanding Office Action mailed July 31, 2006.

In view of the above amendment, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicants believe no fees are due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P02759US3 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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